

Store to Close at 6 p.m. next Saturday

In order to complete the taking of stock both stores will be closed tomorrow at 6 p. m.

Wrights'

BIG SLAUGHTER IN FURS ONE DAY ONLY

All furs will be sold tomorrow at prices never heard of before in Ogden. Just a few of our bargains mentioned:

Coney Throws, regular \$2 to \$4 values, tomorrow only... **.95c**
 \$8.00 Squirrel Throws... **\$3.45**
 River Mink, regular \$25 sets, now... **\$8.75**
 Russian Mink Marmot sets, regular \$35 value, tomorrow's price... **\$17.50**
 Grey Fox sets, worth \$45 and \$50, cut to... **\$18.50**
 Large White Iceland Fox sets, worth \$55, cut to... **\$27.50**
 Isabella Fox sets, beauties, regular price \$45, tomorrow only... **\$17.50**

Many other bargains in sample sets and throws too numerous to mention. Don't forget the place.

SLATER FUR CO.
2279 WASHINGTON AVE.

ONLY ONE MORE DAY to secure your tickets for Smalley's Grand Drawing.

Drawing to take place Saturday evening at 8:30. Everybody come.

SMALLEYS The People's Jewelers

RANDOM REFERENCES

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COAL! COAL!! COAL!!!

New underground and fuel Farr Coal Co. 156 24. Bell 256. Ind. 141. 1-1.

For a Playhouse—The south room on the ground floor of the Orpheum building, on Washington avenue, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets, is being remodeled for a playhouse. The carpenters are now employed building the front and rearranging the floor.

On a Hunt—George McCormick leaves today for a few weeks' quail hunting in Oklahoma. With him he takes a pair of Llewellyn puppies. With of the North and Jessie Roddes Gleam.

Ticket Office Remodeled—The uptown ticket office of the Rio Grande in the Reed Hotel block, facing Washington avenue, is being remodeled. The old front has been taken out and a modern one is being installed.

Rock Springs, Castle Gate, Clear Creek, Pleasant Valley and Hiawatha dump or cut coal, \$5.00 per ton delivered, unless otherwise advised. Cash only. Ogden, Sewer Pipe & Clay Co. Both phones.

Wiring New Building—Electricians and carpenters are at work on the new Peery block, at the corner of Twenty-fifth street and Hudson avenue, wiring the building and doing finishing work on the second floor, preparatory to the operations of the plasterer.

Terrific stuff at temperate prices. Either phone, 149.

Soon to Be a Doctor—Mark Brown, of Ogden, who is studying at Columbia university, New York, has finished his surgical clerkship and is now substituting at the Roosevelt hospital.

Fruit, Castle Gate and Rock Springs \$2.25 delivered. Phone 27. John Farr.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. St. Clair, assistant auditor of the Butte, Anaconda & Pacific railroad is visiting in this city at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Howe.

Throughout the Holiday Vacation there will be three sessions daily at the Skating rink. Morning session, 10c; afternoon, 15c; at night, 25c. Skates included. Prizes each session.

Coal—If you want the best; if you want full weight, John Farr, phone 27.

Mrs. A. E. Gardner, in company with her mother and daughter left via the Harriman line for Portland, Ore.

J. H. Davis, traveling passenger

RIVERDALE CITIZEN DEAD

John T. Ballantyne, aged 54 years, died this morning at 7 o'clock at the family residence at Riverdale. Death was due to inflammation of the sciatic nerve from which Mr. Ballantyne had suffered for the past two months. For the past month he had not been able to leave his bed.

Mr. Ballantyne presided for a number of years as bishop at Scoville, where he was ordained June 29, 1888, by Apostle Heber J. Grant. Later he moved to Riverdale where he remained active in church work. He was the father of thirteen children.

During the past two years the Ballantyne family has been particularly unfortunate. The parents and two children have died during this time. Nine children and two grandchildren still survive. Professor Joseph Ballantyne of this city is a brother of the deceased.

The funeral service will be held at the Riverdale meeting house Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. The remains may be viewed at the home Saturday afternoon and evening or Sunday morning. The interment will be held in the Ogden City cemetery.

POLICE COURT

The case against James Grimes, charged with carrying concealed weapons, was continued in police court this morning pending investigation by the police. Grimes pleaded guilty to the charge, but as it is believed that the man is a crack shot, the police are anxious to have the man held until they have had time to ascertain just what the man's motives were in carrying the dangerous automatic gun which was found upon his person at the time of his arrest.

Daisy Doolan, a tall blonde demit, arrested on the streets last night, pleaded guilty to the charge of vagrancy and was fined \$10.

Dan Connell and J. D. Parryman pleaded guilty to having been unlawfully drunk and were fined \$5 each. Edward F. Jones admitted to the court that he had permitted his horse to stand on the street without hitching and paid a fine of \$5. For a similar offense a bond of \$5 was forfeited by Joseph Wells.

A bond of \$10 was forfeited by R. J. Richards, who failed to answer to a charge of disturbing the peace.

FROM ROBBERY TO FINANCE.

Story of Limantour, the Many-Sided Man, Who Directs Fiscal Operations in Mexico.

(New York Evening Post.)

Jose Yves Limantour was in his garden mulling over frost-laden roses. It was his first meeting with the Mexican minister of finance. With cloaked shoulders—for the rarefied air of the high plateau upon which the Valley of Mexico sits, capped with white and austere mountains, was shrewd, in spite of the brilliancy of the afternoon sun—he moved slowly from bush to bush, marking the blasted flowers.

He spoke of his gardening enthusiastically and with the precision that comes of assured knowledge, while he walked along the primly ordered paths of his estate, which lies in Mexico, a suburb of the city. Later he indicated in his library a shelf crowded with authoritative works on landscape gardening, from the pens of American, English, French and Italian experts.

"Let me tell you a curious thing," said he. "That it, may seem curious that such duties come within the official scope of the work of the minister of finance."

"The chancery has placed me in charge of the park at Chapultepec. That is a part of my work, to look after the trees and the flowers and to plan the improvements. Really, it isn't work, for I regard it as a part of my relaxation. I go there every morning on my way to my office. When I leave my house I am the minister of finance, for my secretary rides with me and reads my mail, but when I arrive at the park I become a gardener for an hour. It is delightful there, especially in the morning. The superintendent tells me that a tree is sick. We examine it and prescribe for it. We plan flower beds and the planting of shrubbery. The hour goes too quickly, for when I enter my automobile again there is the secretary with the letter, and once more I am a minister of finance."

He has been in charge of the Mexican exchequer since 1893. He has accepted as his life work the rehabilitation of the finances of the republic. No one could have performed the task better, and few could have managed so well. With him a dominant talent for finance has attained to the dignity and power of genius. Contrasting the hopeless muddle of Mexico's finances two decades ago with the firm economic basis upon which they now rest, one marvels at the almost demonic quality of his accomplishments. Like a financial David he freed Mexico from the apparent hopeless thrall of the debt which it had by a giant deftly. In budgets of the past the deficit was regarded as inevitable in the yearly casting up of the nation's accounts. Mr. Limantour met the deficiency, and within two years after he eluded the purse strings he had it in retreat. It has never returned. Now, when Mexico goes into the world's money markets she poses as no cringing supplicant, but in hand, and ready to accept gratefully the most meager sop that the bankers choose to toss. She is rich. She pays her debts dollar for dollar. Accordingly she is respected and deferred to. If she wants to borrow she makes her own terms, and the bankers may take them or leave them as they choose.

The appetite for work of the minister of finance is avid and insatiable. He is in his office until 8 o'clock in the evening, and not infrequently it is later when he leaves. Eight was the hour he named in his first appointment with me. That was exceptional, I thought, and wondered at it. But as one studied the man and his methods one ceased to consider it extraordinary. His vacations are taken once in four years, if he feels he is able to respite himself without losing momentum in his work. Usually these vacation trips are combined with governmental missions to the United States and Europe.

His day begins at 6, which is his hour for rising. Business starts immediately after breakfast, when he and his secretary set themselves in an automobile for the inevitable visit to Chapultepec park. Thence he proceeds to his office and remains there until 1. Returning at 3, he applies himself to routine matters and receives callers until well past the hour when the American man of affairs has regaled himself with dinner and is trending theaterward or seeking the bridge table. This routine seldom varies, if there is a man in Mexico who works harder and puts in longer hours than the minister of finance it is President Diaz.

One cannot but believe that the strain has told on him, although one detects no hint of it in his physical bearing, or the keen, rapier-like quality of his mentality. At 57 his hair, mustache and side whiskers are wholly white, but he has the slender, lithe, erect and easy-moving figure of youth. His English is admirable. Tobacco and alcohol are taboo with him.

Mr. Limantour shares his passion for gardening with an absorbing and technical love of music. Above the keyboard of a piano at his house I saw spread out the bewildering conglomerate of musical notation which he has gone to make up the score of one of Wagner's operas. He ends his days with music. Nightly for an hour before retiring he sits at the piano and submerges the brain-wearing routine of the financier in the melodies of classical composers. Occasionally he improvises.

"And then to bed," said he. "I take the music to bed with me and leave all the rest. One can stand a great deal of finance if he starts in the day with the flowers and ends it with music. It helps me to sleep soundly, too."

SOCIETY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra H. C. Williams of the Williams Music company were most agreeably surprised at their home Wednesday night, when their children, grandchildren and many friends paid them a visit in a body, the day being the thirty-sixth anniversary of their wedding.

Games, music and humorous recitations took up the greater part of the evening. Musical selections were rendered by Messrs. Ezra H. C. Williams, and Charles O. Williams, Misses Ella Ingle and Bessie Lee. These were instrumental selections, the piano and violin being used. Songs were furnished by the Misses Bessie and Sarah Williams. Humorous recitations were given by Joseph H. Williams, Masters Glen Chandler and Miss Inez Ingles, after which some tasteful refreshments were served.

Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Ezra H. C. Williams, William J. Lee, John Ingles, Charles C. Williams, Fred D. Williams, Joseph Williams, C. Chandler, and Misses Inez, Ella and Bessie Ingles, Bessie Lee, Ida M. Baxter, Grace R. Cole, Anna, Sarah and Bessie Williams, Little Lucille Williams and Masters Glen Chandler, Donald Judkins, Freddie, Don and Raymond Williams.

MARRIED LAST EVENING.

At 8 o'clock last evening at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stone and Miss Laura Frost were united in marriage by Bishop Ensign. The ceremony was witnessed by about twenty relatives and intimate friends of the young people.

The attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ross, who returned Wednesday night from Salt Lake City, where they were married last Saturday. Mrs. Ross was formerly Miss Ethel Stone, a sister of the bride.

Carnations and other beautiful cut flowers adorned the altar and the decoration of the home. A reception followed the ceremony. The newly-married couple will make their home in this city.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Scowcroft are to celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on Friday evening, January 13, by a reception at Congress Academy.

Mr. Clifford Ashby and Miss Claire Smith of Salt Lake were the guests of Miss Minnie Brown during the holidays.

Miss Matilda Warner of Berlin, Germany, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Gibson, will depart for Portland, Oregon, this evening.

They Want a Loop—Some residents of north Washington avenue and Harrisville are trying to induce the Ogden Rapid Transit company to build a loop from the city limits on Washington avenue, to the Harrisville road, making a continuous street car line.

The Tolstoid circle will meet with Mrs. Dr. P. A. Cook next Tuesday.

THE ANTIQUATED SEAL.

The most absurd thing connected with legal business is the little piece of red, green or blue paper or daub of sealing wax which we often place at the end of a signature to a deed, will or other important document.

It is a very small thing in size, but one which is a great deal of importance is frequently given. It is a relic of antiquity and no plausible excuse can be invented for continuing its use.

Some of the more progressive states have practically abolished its use by legislation, and in the use of technical legal significance. In others, however, it is still used with all seriousness and solemnity, and an almost magical value is given to it by dignified judges that is little less than ridiculous.

A man died years ago, leaving part of his estate to another to enjoy while he lived, with the privilege of devising it at his death to others whom he might select by writing under his "hand and seal." A writing was executed in accordance with the will, and it was contested by others claiming the property upon the technical ground that the paper contained no seal after the signature, and the devise therefore was void.

The Philadelphia judge closely scrutinized the signature and after carefully listening to the arguments of lawyers decided that at the end of the signature there was an extra scroll or flourish made with the pen with which the signature was made, and this was sufficient in law to constitute a seal.—Case and Comment.

PACIFIC COAST ENTITLED TO IT.

Some of the Eastern newspapers have been having a good deal to say about the failures that have been made by the door, how it is holding up in positions. Some of them go so far as to say that whether San Francisco or New Orleans secures the support of the government for a Panama exposition, the city that loses will be the one to be congratulated in the future. In the East do not understand the spirit of the West. New Orleans probably would make a failure of it on the financial side. Financial failure has been the rule in the East and South in exposition lines.

The Eastern editors predict a business slump for the city that wins the exposition. Portland suffered no injury because of her exposition. She profited wonderfully by reason of it. It was the beginning of the most remarkable development in her history. Seattle made a success of it, financially and every other way and quit with a full treasury. It is generally conceded that Seattle treated the exposition with the most businesslike recognition as the exposition city, the entire Pacific coast will enter heartily into the work of making it a success, for the whole Pacific coast will share in the benefit.

San Francisco is the logical place for the exposition because of her relation to the development of the coast as a result of the opening of the Panama canal. The western spirit will make a success of it, depend upon that.—Pasadena News.

NEW YORK MONEY.

New York, Dec. 30.—Prime mercantile paper 4 1/2 to 5 per cent. Sterling exchange, weak, actual business in bankers' bills at 48 1/2 to 48 3/4 for sixty day bills and at 48 1/4 for demand. Commercial bills 4 1/4 to 4 1/2 per cent.

Bar silver, 44 1/2 to 45. Mexican dollars, 4c. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds, firm.

Money on call, firm 5 1/2 to 6 per cent. ruling rate 5 per cent. Close bid 5 1/2 per cent; offered at 6 per cent.

Time loans dull; for sixty days and ninety days, 3 3/4 to 4 per cent; for six months 3 3/4 to 4 per cent.

READ THE CLASSIFIED PAGE.

TRAGEDY IN BANK CASE

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ten perplexing duties of minister of public works. As such it was a part of his function to supervise the improvement of all public buildings, royal palaces, museums, art galleries, public parks, and he devoted much thought to the beautification of London. It was during his term that the new administrative buildings were erected in Whitehall, the Mall widened, the national gallery enlarged, the south Kensington museum completed, and many other important public works brought to a successful conclusion.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Jos. G. Robin Takes Poison When About to be Arraigned

New York, Dec. 30.—Jos. G. Robin, who admits to these arrangements on an indictment of grand larceny in connection with the failure of the Northern Bank, took one-tenth of a grain of hyosin, a drug with which Dr. Crippen killed his wife, Belle Elmore, in London. Dr. McGuire, the Tomba physician, said it would be a miracle if the indicted banker recovered.

THE AMERICAN WIFE IN BRITISH POLITICS.

American women have played of late years an increasingly prominent part in British politics, and they have shown themselves at least as tactful and adroit in the difficult game of diplomacy as their English sisters, whose chief intellectual diversion it has been for generations. She has not been the daughter of the historian, or the wife of a Lord, or the mistress of a statesman, but she has been the wife of a cabinet minister and the mother of another. Mrs. Cornwallis West has passed most of her life in the thick of political struggles, and is celebrated no less for the shrewdness of her judgment than for her social charm.

There are many who believe, though there are few, perhaps, who would assert that if it had not been for his wife's gifts, the late Lord Randolph Churchill would never have achieved cabinet rank. The success of the Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, president of the board of trade, may be ascribed, in part, at least, to the excellent training for a public career which his brilliant mother helped to give him.

And then there was the late Lady Curzon, who, as vice queen of India, found herself at the head of a household as splendid and profuse as any in the world. She acquitted herself in truly regal manner, and even her critics, who carped a bit now and then, could never deny the court she kept was so opulent that, judged even by the standards of surrounding Oriental potentates, it did honor to England's greatness.

The latest recruits to the ranks of these American women of distinguished position and great social power is Mrs. Lewis Harcourt, wife of the Right Honorable Lewis Harcourt, newly appointed secretary of state to the colonies. Mrs. Harcourt is the daughter of the late Walter H. Burns of New York, a brother-in-law and partner of J. Pierpont Morgan. He has also an American stepmother in the daughter of the historian and diplomatist, J. Lothrop Motley.

In the public career of Mr. Harcourt his wife has had for years a shaping hand. Temperamentally the colonial secretary is said to be a man far from ambitious, who is modest to a degree, and notwithstanding the honors which have come to him, he has never been able to overcome a native timidity which predisposes him to private rather than to public life. Mrs. Harcourt has striven valiantly with court as a measure of success to infuse into her husband a more daring spirit, and has spurred him on to accept those posts of increasing difficulty to which his undoubted talents recommend him. In her own way she has taught him the exercise of tact and social charm, to increase the circle of influential friends which surround her husband and thus forward his career.

Her money, too, has been useful to Lewis Harcourt in enabling him to retire the one-time splendor of Nuneham park and Stanton Harcourt on the bank of the Thames. Both of these handsome properties had fallen into sad disrepair when Lewis Harcourt succeeded to their proprietorship. The joint fortunes of himself and his wife enabled Mr. Harcourt to expend vast sums of money upon the estates, and to restore to them the glory which they had known during the occupancy of former distinguished members of the Harcourt family.

In restoring the old mansion particular care was exercised not to obliterate the charm of the past. Electric lights and other modern conveniences were installed, the deserted stables were filled, the magnificent grounds were set in order, the house itself was redecorated and refurbished, with the result that the Harcourts now possess one of the most imposing country places in England.

King Edward was fond of Mr. Harcourt, and during the latter's occupancy of the important post of minister of public works, the late king often passed a weekend at Nuneham. In accordance with such occasions the king selected the guests whom he was to meet, and he was invariably tactful enough to include in his list the name of his hostess's uncle, J. Pierpont Morgan.

Mrs. Harcourt was of immense assistance to her husband, too, while he was discharging the onerous and of



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THIS DOG CAN TALK

Speaks Seven Words and Understand What Is Said to Him

Berlin, Dec. 30.—The claim of a game-keeper near Hamburg, that his dog can speak German and has an understanding of the language sufficiently to answer questions intelligently, has been taken so seriously by German scientists that Prof. Pfunges of Berlin university headed a commission of investigation. It is stated that they found the animal possessed of a vocabulary of seven words, which were clearly articulated. Of the number four were words of two syllables. It is asserted that the dog understands what is said to him and replies to the inquiries of strangers with the limit of his knowledge of the language without aid or suggestion of his owner.

SALT LAKE MAN DEAD THREE DAYS

A victim of apoplexy, Israel Spitzer, 62 years of age and a pioneer of Utah, lay dead in a back room of his store in Salt Lake, from Monday night until this morning when police officers broke in the door and discovered the body. The room where Spitzer's body was found had been used for his sleeping quarters and although the doors of his store had remained bolted, for three days, no investigation was made to ascertain the cause.

ROBBERS IN A BANK

Des Moines, Dec. 30.—Robbers entered the bank at Dow City, near Denison, Ia., during the night, and escaped with \$3,000. The explosion was heard by the people of the town, but the robbery was not discovered until this morning.

FOURTH DEATH IN GARMENT STRIKE

Chicago, Dec. 30.—The fourth death in the garment workers' strike occurred today. It was that of Ferdie Weiser, 19 years old, who was shot on December 4th by Edward Heaney, a special policeman. Heaney is locked up.

SALPIDAE VISIT NOVA SCOTIA WATERS

A species of sea organism, somewhat similar to jelly fish, strange to Halifax harbor until recently, has become plentiful in the harbor, feeding with them. Each group of these bodies is egg-shaped, transparent, and glasslike, resembling somewhat a string of beads, which can be broken off one by one. This string is somewhat fragile, but no matter how many pieces it is broken into, each piece, made up of single or several individuals, will swim off on its own accord. The bodies are from a few inches to two feet in length. They are called "salpidae," and are usually found only in the waters of tropical climates. They belong to the ascidian order and have doubtless been driven to these shores by storms and currents radiating from the vicinity of Bermuda. It is thought the cold water will kill them. It is also believed that their presence will do no harm, but on the contrary provide food for fishes.

A TRIPLE TRAGEDY.

Baltimore, Dec. 30.—William Strickler shot and killed his wife and

REMAINS OF PITMAN CONsigned TO FLAMES

Cincinnati, Dec. 30.—The remains of Ben Pitman, the originator of a short hand system, were consigned to the flames at the Cincinnati crematory today. When Mr. Pitman's first wife died there was no crematory in Cincinnati. He took the body to Pittsburgh where it was incinerated. He then brought the ashes to Cincinnati and mingled them with the soil of his rose garden.

KNOWN IN DENVER.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 29.—Charles E. Blackwood and wife, who have been arrested at Sparks, Nev., and Ogden, Utah, respectively, charged with robbing a California banker, are both known to the Denver police. Blackwood was at one time a deputy sheriff of Denver county, and he became acquainted with Mrs. Blackwood when she was placed in his charge as a prisoner. This was in March, 1902, when the woman, then known as Annabelle Johnson, was arrested here on the charge of robbing a number of houses. Her method, according to the police, was to hire out as a servant and disappear with her employer's valuables.

Both Phones, 323.

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